

"WE'RE FIGHTING TO MAKE WORLD SAFE FOR DEMOCRACY" SAYS TEDDY

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt declares in a statement that he has been misquoted by Dr. Kune Meyer, Berlin professor, in dispatches from Amsterdam. He said Professor Meyer was guilty of gross "impropriety" in quoting him regarding compensation and indemnities Germany might collect.

"Mr. Meyer's statement is substantially correct with this exception," said Roosevelt. "I did not say would entitle to compensation or indemnities, or to form a mid-European federation under Germany's agency."

"What I said was that if Germany was victorious, she would undoubtedly expect the utmost limits of compensation and indemnity she could wring from all her conquerors, including the United States, and I added 'we would take them from the United States whether we want to war or not. Mr. Meyer and his wife called on me in May, 1916."

"What I said to him was what I said in speeches, so far as Germany and the duty of this government is concerned."

"We are fighting for our nearest and dearest interests, to make the world safe for America. Until

America shows her ability to do that she should not talk about making the world safe for democracy. Now let every man, woman and child in this country strain every nerve so at the earliest possible moment our giant strength may be used to win the victory."

"Let us remember that pacifists and pro-Germans stand where the copperheads stood in the Civil war. This applies to some senators and congressmen and newspaper editors. I hope congress immediately will pass a law refusing to allow any paper to be published in German or the language of any other of our opponents while the war lasts."

BIG PROFITEERING BY THE COAL OPERATORS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Charges that bituminous coal dealers are exacting extortionate profits from consumers under the so-called Peabody agreement were made today before the federal trade commission by Clifford Thorne, appearing in behalf of various public utilities and a national municipal organization.

The trade commission gave the hearing in connection with its investigation of coal prices.

The entire Peabody agreement, entered into by the operators and Chairman Peabody of the defense council's coal committee, was declared by Mr. Thorne to be unfair to the consumer. Coal now being sold under it at from \$2.75 to \$4.50 a ton, he said, can be produced at slightly more than \$1 a ton. As a remedy in dealing with the situation he urged abandonment of price fixing negotiations with coal operators and the establishment, under the Lever food control bill, of a reasonable maximum price.

HERBERT HOOVER TELLS OF THE FOOD CONTROL

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The American government yesterday assumed control of the country's food supply with the signing by President Wilson of the administration food survey and regulatory bills.

Formal announcement of Herbert Hoover's appointment as food administrator was made at the White House soon after the measures were approved and last night Mr. Hoover set forth the aims of the food administration in a statement declaring its purpose will be to stabilize and not to disturb conditions.

Every effort will be made to correct price abuses made possible by abnormal times, Mr. Hoover said, but drastic measures will not be attempted until it is seen the purposes of the administration cannot be accomplished through constructive cooperation with food producing and distributing industries.

The very existence of corrective powers, Mr. Hoover declares, will end to check speculation and price inflation.

"The business men of the country, I am convinced," says Mr. Hoover's statement, "as a result of many hundreds of conferences with representatives of the great sources of food supply, realize their own patriotic obligation and the solemnity of the situation, and will fairly and generously co-operate in meeting the national emergency."

The measure gives the government extraordinary war powers. The regular bill is designed to put food distribution under direct government supervision and a provision adopted as an amendment extends an even more drastic government control over coal and other fuels, including the power to fix prices and authorizing government operation of mines. The survey bill is intended to encourage production and gives the government authority to keep up a continuous census of the amount of foodstuffs in the United States. It will be administered by the department of agriculture.

Both the food administration and the agriculture department have been ready since long before the bills were passed to go ahead with the work. The food administration has assembled a staff and already is enlisting the country's women in a household saving campaign. Meanwhile the federal trade commission, authorized some time ago to conduct an

investigation into food prices with especial reference to anti-trust violations, is gathering information which it will turn over to the two agencies and to the department of justice.

The first move of the food administration will be to bring about changes in the system of distributing wheat and in the manufacture and sale of flour and bread. It will take up next the production of meat and dairy foods. The commission has investigators now in the flour mills and in the meat packing houses.

In his statement, Mr. Hoover emphasizes the obligation the United States owes to its allies in supplying an abundance of food and urges reducing consumption by the American people.

"We have in our abundance and in our waste," he says, "as ample to carry them and ourselves over this next winter without suffering. If we fail it is because individual American citizens have failed to see and do this loyal national duty. We shall invite all classes and all trades to sign a volunteer pledge to co-operate with us in the undertaking and so become as much members of the food administration as we ourselves are."

SALMON PACK MAY PROVE A FAILURE

(By Associated Press.)
SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 11.—The Bering sea salmon pack is reported extremely poor. One large company has closed its canneries and brought back its men five weeks earlier than usual, there being no fish in their usual runways. This company in its Bering sea canneries put up only one-fourth its last year's pack. The Bering sea season opened unfortunately, with the loss of three sailing ships loaded with cannery supplies and crews. There was no loss of life, but vessels and cargoes were a total loss.

Western and southwestern Alaska are reported producing 70 per cent of a full pack. Southeastern Alaska has more fish than the canneries can take care of.

Up to August 5 the sockeye salmon run on Puget Sound, the quadrennial big run, had been disappointing, but canners say there is plenty of time yet for the fish.

FORMER PRESIDENT TAFT SHOWS GREAT IMPROVEMENT

CLAY CENTER, Kan., Aug. 11.—"You can tell the friends of Mr. Taft that he is a great deal better. He has improved wonderfully today." That was the statement given last night by Dr. B. F. Morgan, attending former President Taft, ill of an intestinal disorder at a local hotel.

The slogan of the food sharks seem to be, consume the consumer.

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HOUSE IS TOO LIBERAL WITH "THE HARVEST OF GOLD" FIRMS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Chairman Simmons explaining to the senate the finance committee's purpose in redrafting the war tax bill, declared the changes made will greatly increase the tax burden to be borne by the big corporations who have profited by the war.

In a detailed statement, opening debate on the measure, Senator Simmons said the committee had weighed every schedule carefully during its many weeks of consideration and that the bill as now presented would place the tax where it belonged without working injustice to anyone. He did not complete his statement and will continue tomorrow.

Without mentioning him by name, the North Carolina senator replied at length to Chairman Kitchin of the house ways and means committee, who recently charged that the

senate committee had rewritten the house bill in such a way as to favor prosperous corporations and individuals. On the contrary, the senator insisted, the senate revision would tax the prosperous much more heavily than had the house bill. The house, he said, had been far too liberal with those who had "reaped this harvest of gold."

"Certain corporations in this country are going to be made to disgorge in order to pay the expenses of this war, a very considerable proportion of their income," said Senator Simmons. "The 1916 war profits exceed three billion dollars. The house bill proposed a ridiculously small tax from the swollen war profits. It was entirely too lenient to the men who have reaped this harvest of gold—gold they exacted out of the earnings of those who must bear the burdens of this struggle."

Senator Simmons said those who criticized the senate committee because it substituted a graduated war tax for a flat rate of eight per cent as levied by the house, did not understand the situation. He declared that out of fourteen countries having such a tax only two—Canada and Spain—imposed a war profits tax on a basis other than the plan outlined by the committee.

Defending the committee's substitute tax on sugar, tea and coffee, he said the original house bill levied just about as much tax in other forms on the articles. He denied that the senate bill favored the railroads.

Senators predicted a long debate. Senator LaFollette is preparing a minority report in conjunction with Senators Thomas and Gore.

Application No. 4538.
Notice of Application for Permission to appropriate the Public Waters of the State of Nevada.

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of August, 1917, in accordance with Section 59, Chapter 140, of the Statutes of 1913, one Orville Knight Reed, of Goldfield, County of Esmeralda, and State of Nevada, made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to appropriate the public waters of the State of Nevada. Such appropriation is to be made from Hawk Creek and unnamed springs, in NW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 2, T. 1, N. R. 49 E., M. D. B. & M., by means of a dam, and 3.2 cubic feet per second is to be conveyed to NE 1/4, Sec. 33, W 1/4, SW 1/4, Sec. 34, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, Sec. 34, T. 2 N., R. 49 E., NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, Sec. 2, NW 1/4, NW 1/4, Sec. 2, T. 1, N. R. 49 E., M. D. B. & M., by means of ditches, flumes and canals, and there used for irrigation and domestic purposes, from April 15th until October 31st of each year. Water not to be returned to stream. Date of first publication, Aug. 4, 1917.
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